# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING - RIVERBOAT OPEN SESSION June 20, 2013 ILLINOIS GAMING BOARD CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

NOTE: ITEMS IN BOLDFACE PRINT REFLECT OFFICIAL BOARD ACTIONS

On Thursday, June 20, 2013 a Regular Meeting - Riverboat of the Illinois Gaming Board ("Board") was held on the 5th floor at 160 N. LaSalle at the Michael J. Bilandic Building, Chicago, Illinois at 10:20 A.M. Present were the following: Members Maribeth Vander Weele, Lee Gould, and Chairman Aaron Jaffe. Member Holewinski was ill and was not present and did not participate.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Gould moved that **the Board approve the open session minutes of its Regular Meeting of May 23, 2013**. Member Vander Weele seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

#### ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT -

Administrator Ostrowski stated that the Board and staff are working with the industry on a series of rules pertaining to the redemption of vouchers at the casinos' cages.

# **BOARD POLICY ITEMS**

Caleb Melamed's presentation

Section 5 (c) (3) of the Riverboat Gambling Act [230 ILCS 10] confers rulemaking authority upon the Illinois Gaming Board regarding riverboat gambling. At this June 20, 2013 open meeting of the Illinois Gaming Board, the Board's legal staff is submitting proposals to amend the Board's rules on riverboat gambling [86 Ill. Admin. Code 3000] as follows:

Inclusion of unredeemed vouchers as part of adjusted gross receipts.

The proposed rulemaking adds a definition of "adjusted gross receipts" to Section 100 of the riverboat gambling rules [86 Ill. Admin. Code 3000.100 ("Definitions")]. Under the new definition, "adjusted gross receipts" are defined as gross receipts less winnings paid to wagerers. The definition further provides that the value of expired vouchers shall be included in computing adjusted gross receipts.

Including the value of expired vouchers as part of adjusted gross receipts conforms with standard accounting practice in the gaming industry.

Printing of vouchers at a cashier cage.

Sections 100 and 640 of the riverboat gambling rules [86 III. Admin. Code 3000.100 ("Definitions") and 3000.640 ("Exchange of Chips, Tokens, and Vouchers")] currently authorize the issuance of vouchers solely by means of a voucher printer connected to an electronic gaming device. In keeping with the practice at some casinos, the proposed rule change will amend these sections to allow vouchers also to be printed at a cashier cage.

Use of promotional coupons.

This proposed change to Section 600 of the riverboat gambling rules [86 III. Admin. Code 3000.600 ("Wagering Only with Electronic Credits, Approved Chips, Tokens and Electronic Cards")] authorizes the use of promotional coupons in connection with table games and deletes current language allowing the use of match play coupons. The difference between a match play coupon and a promotional coupon is that a match play coupon must be used in conjunction of the play of a chip, whereas a promotional coupon may be used in place of a chip. Under the proposed rulemaking, promotional coupons may only be used as wagers as set forth in an owner licensee's Internal Control System.

# Proposed Amendments to the Riverboat Gambling Rules -

Member Vander Weele moved to authorize staff to amend the Board's rules on Riverboat Gambling, Section 100 regarding Definitions; Section 600 regarding Wagering Only with Electronic Credits, Approved Chips, Tokens and Electronic Cards; and Section 640 regarding Exchange of Chips, Tokens and Vouchers, by submitting a proposal for First Notice Filing with the Secretary of State upon final review and approval by the Administrator. Member Gould seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

# <u>ITEM FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION</u> – Casino Queen, Inc. Owner's License Renewal

A Power Point presentation was made for the renewal of Casino Queen, Inc. Owner's License Renewal.

#### **OWNER LICENSEE ITEMS**

#### • Boyd Gaming Corporation – Financing Transaction

Based on staff's investigation and pursuant to Rule 230(d), Member Gould moved to approve Boyd Gaming Corporation's request for approval of Par-A-Dice Gaming Corporation as a Subsidiary Guarantor of Boyd Gaming Corporation's \$1.75 billion Senior Credit Facility, and an Amended and Restated Credit Agreement which refinances Boyd's previous credit agreement and is comprised of a \$600 million revolving credit facility, a \$150 million Term Loan 'A' facility, and a \$1.0 billion Term Loan 'B' facility. Member Vander Weele seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

 The Alton Gaming Company d/b/a Argosy Casino Alton - Jason A. Taylor, Regional Director of Internal Audit for Penn National Gaming, Inc. – Key Person

Based on staff's investigation, Member Vander Weele moved that the Board approve Jason A. Taylor as a Key Person of The Alton Gaming Company d/b/a Argosy Casino Alton in his position as Regional Director of Internal Audit of Penn National Gaming, Inc., retroactive to May 23, 2013. Member Gould seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

 Casino Queen, Inc. d/b/a Casino Queen – Marc J. Vanderweele – Director of Table Games – Level One

Based on staff's investigation, Member Gould moved that the Board approve Marc J. Vanderweele as an Occupational Licensee Level One in his position as Director of Table Games of Casino Queen, Inc. d/b/a Casino Queen. Member Vander Weele seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

• The Rock Island Boatworks, Inc. d/b/a Jumer's Casino and Hotel – Jeffrey C. Barton, Surveillance Director – Level One

Based on staff's investigation, Member Vander Weele moved that the Board approve Jeffrey C. Barton as an Occupational Licensee Level One in his position as Surveillance Director of The Rock Island Boatworks, Inc. d/b/a Jumer's Casino and Hotel. Member Gould seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

#### **SUPPLIER LICENSEE ITEMS –**

• Happ Controls, Inc. – James Michael Brendel, President – Key Person
Based on staff's investigation, Member Gould moved that the Board approve James
Michael Brendel as a Key Person of Happ Controls, Inc. in his position as
President. Member Vander Weele seconded the motion. The Board approved the
motion unanimously by roll call vote.

#### OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE APPROVAL AND DENIALS -

Based on staff's investigation, Member Vander Weele moved that **the Board find suitable and approve** <u>39</u> **applications for Level 2 Occupational Licenses and <u>89</u> <b>applications for Level 3 Occupational Licenses.** Member Gould seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

## PROPOSED COMPLAINTS AND DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS -

## • Occupational Licensees –

Based on staff's investigation, Member Gould moved that the Board issue Disciplinary Complaints to revoke the Occupational Licenses of Ashley R. Kluber and Chad E. Winiarczyk due to their conduct involving theft of a driver's license from Rivers Casino, said actions to take effect 21 days from the dates of service of the Complaints unless either files an Answer within that time period. Member Vander Weele seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

# • Spielo International Canada ULC -

Based on staff's investigation, Member Vander Weele moved that **the Board issue a Disciplinary Complaint to fine Spielo International Canada ULC \$20,000.00 for failing to timely file its Annual Submission to the Board.** Member Gould seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

# • In re the Disciplinary Action of Vanessa Tabitha Andersen

Pursuant to Rule 1155, Member Gould moved for the adoption and entry of a Final Board Order adopting the Administrative Law Judge's Order granting the Board's Motion for Summary Judgment and affirming the fine issued to Occupational Licensee Vanessa Tabitha Andersen. Member Vander Weele seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

At 10:53 A.M. Member Vander Weele motioned to adjourn and Member Gould seconded the motion. All Members voted in favor of adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary C. Boruta Secretary to the Administrator